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SUBJECT: ARAB BOYCOTT: FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING U.S.
ANTI-BOYCOTT LEGISLATION--QATAR

REF: STATE 142390

1. DURING JUNE 21 FAREWELL CALL, AMBASSADOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE PRESENTATION BASED ON REFTEL TO QATARI MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PETROLEUM SHAYKH ABDUL AZIZ BIN KHALIFA AL THANI. (ABDUL AZIZ IS CABINET LEVEL OFFICIAL MOST CONCERNED WITH BOYCOTT MATTERS). IT WAS EXPLAINED TO ABDUL AZIZ THAT ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT HAD NOT AS YET SIGNED THE LEGISLATION, HE WAS EXPECTED TO DO SO SOON. COPY OF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT (PARA 6 REFTEL) WAS LEFT WITH ABDUL AZIZ.

2. IN PRESENTATION I EMPHASIZED ADMINISTRATION'S CONCERTED EFFORT TO WORK WITH CONGRESS, US BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONCERNED ELEMENTS TO COME UP WITH NON-CONFRONTATIONAL LEGISLATION. I SAID I BELIEVED THAT AFTER STUDY OF STATEMENT ABDUL AZIZ WOULD AGREE THAT EFFORT WAS SUCCESSFUL IN THAT LEGISLATION WAS RESPECTFUL OF SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OF ALL CONCERNED, NON-DISCRIMINATORY, COOPERATIVE IN NATURE, AND INTENDED TO PRESERVE OUR MUTUAL INTERESTS IN FURTHERING TRADE RELATIONSHIPS.

3. ABDUL AZIZ RESPONDED AS USUAL THAT BOYCOTT WOULD "GO AWAY"
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AS SOON AS WE WERE SUCCESSFUL IN ARRANGING JUST SETTLEMENT OF ARAB-ISRAEL DISPUTE. HE AGREED TO STUDY STATEMENT AND TO GIVE US HIS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS, IF ANY.

4. I REMINDED ABDUL AZIZ OF OUR PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS ON BOYCOTT PROBLEMS DURING WHICH HE HAD CONSISTENTLY OFFERED TO DISCUSS IN PRAGMATIC MANNER ANY PROBLEM WHICH AROSE. I SAID WE WOULD TAKE HIM UP ON THIS AS APPROPRIATE, AND THAT I WAS CONFIDENT THAT WITH SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND GOOD WILL WE COULD WORK WITHIN NEW LEGISLATION TO FURTHER OUR MUTUAL INTERESTS.

5. RE PARA 8 OF REFTEL, WE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSE PROPOSAL TO SEND STATE/COMMERCE DELEGATION TO AREA THIS FALL TO EXPLAIN DRAFT REGULATIONS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF NEW LAW. WE ASK THAT DOHA BE INCLUDED ON ITINERARY OF THIS MISSION. GOQ WOULD FEEL SLIGHTED IF WE DONT, AND THIS COULD CAUSE US PROBLEMS IN WORKING WITH IT ON BOYCOTT ISSUES
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